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February 7, 2019

OFFICE OF MISSION SUPPORT

Mr. Patrick A. Walsh, CIH
Safety, Health and Environmental Manager
Denka Performance Elastomer LLC
560 Highway 44
LaPlace, LA 70068

RE: Request for Reconsideration #17002A concerning Toxicological Review of Chloroprene

Dear Mr. Walsh:

Thank you for your letter of January 18, 2019, concerning the status of the Request for Reconsideration (RFR #17002A) submitted by Denka Performance Elastomer LLC (DPE) regarding the 2010 Integrated Risk Information System (IRIS) Toxicological Review of Chloroprene. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA's) interim response, issued on November 1, 2018, requested that any additional information supporting your request be submitted to EPA by February 1, 2019.

This response acknowledges EPA's receipt of the email from Robert Holden that was submitted on DPE's behalf on February 1, 2019, containing information in support of your request. If DPE wishes to submit any additional information relevant to this RFR, it should be submitted no later than May 1, 2019. In accordance with EPA's Information Quality Guidelines (IQG), EPA will review and assess this information and convene an IQG Executive Panel to reconsider EPA's response to your original request for correction. Under EPA's IQG, this Executive Panel makes the final decision on the RFR.

EPA will provide DPE with a status update on this RFR by June 7, 2019, which is 90 business days from the Agency's receipt of DPE's supplemental information on February 1, 2019.

Sincerely,

Vaughn Noga Deputy Assistant Administrator for Environmental Information and Chief Information Officer

cc: John Vandenberg, ORD-NCEA-IRIS Vincia Holloman, OMS-OEIP-EQMD David Gray, DRA, EPA Region 6